

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mr. Seppala at 6:15p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Seppala, Schiffer, Jolly, Awad, Goldberg
Del Castilho, Burgess, Clobridge, Harvey, Luz, Pitts

SELECT BOARD'S ACTION

Senior Citizen Property Tax Abatements

VOTED to adopt the following program rules for senior citizen property tax abatements:

- A) the hourly rate for the program shall be the state minimum, currently \$6.75;
- B) the eligibility dates for the Fiscal Year 2003 program shall be October 15, 2002 through December 15, 2002;
- C) the income limitation shall be \$30,000;
- D) there shall be no limitation to the M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 5 tax reductions on the volunteer's domicile;
- E) the number of volunteers for Fiscal Year 2003 shall be limited to 20, and limitations on the type of work shall be at the Town Manager's discretion, but service on a Town board or committee shall not be eligible for the program;
- F) any other restrictions or regulation, consistent with the intent of the law, shall be at the Town Manager's discretion.

Sign Warrant

VOTED unanimously to sign the October 28, 2002 Special Town Meeting warrant.

Proclamation – United Nations Day

VOTED unanimously to proclaim October 24, 2002 United Nations Day.

Approve Minutes

VOTED unanimously to approve the Select Board minutes of September 30, 2002.

WARRANT ARTICLES

Transfer of Funds – Unpaid Bills

VOTED unanimously to recommend Article 2 in the amount of \$2,340.60.

Capital Program – Pumper

VOTED unanimously to recommend Article 6.

Senior Citizen Tax Exemptions

VOTED unanimously to recommend Article 4.

PERMITS AND LICENSES

One-Day Wine and Malt Licenses - UMass

No action taken.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Question period

No questions.

Announcement

The Select Board announced that the Department of Food and Agriculture is considering acquiring an interest in approximately 75 acres of land at 1720 South East Street, Amherst, for inclusion in the Agricultural Preservation Restriction Program as an Agricultural Preservation Restriction.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED unanimously to adjourn at 8:49 p.m.